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Phil Mickelson

will be back to defend his title when the tournament tees off Thursday. Photo by Vern Fisher



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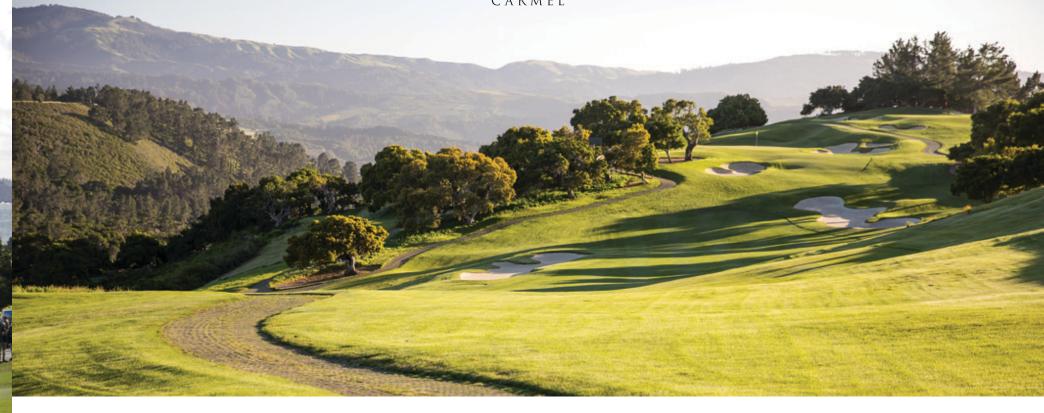


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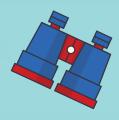
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'YOU GOTTA LOVE IT!'

by James Raia



ore than sweet swings, ocean views and celebrity gaffes, the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am legacy can easily be condensed into two words: "Crosby Weather."

Since founder Bing Crosby moved the event from Rancho Santa Fe Country Club near his home in San Diego to the Monterey Peninsula in 1947, the often fickle weather always receives top billing.

Tournament weeks have progressed under conditions so ideal, even longtime Peninsula residents and golfers who often travel weekly from one paradise to another, are in awe.

Brutal weather has also reigned. It can change several times in a day, from blinding sunbursts to ominous clouds and zen calm to whitecap-causing, flag-whipping winds.

AT&T PEBBLE BEACH PRO-AM WEATHER YEAR

- 1952 Shortened to 36 holes, rain.
- 1962 Monday finish, snow.
- 1967 Monday finish, rain.
- 1969 Monday finish, rain.1974 Shortened to 54 holes, rain.
- 1978 Monday finish, wet conditions.
- **1981** Saturday start, Monday finish, 54 holes, rain.
- 1986 Shortened to 54 holes, rain.
- 1996 Tournament canceled.
- 1998 Monday finish in August, 54 holes, rain.
- 1999 Shortened to 54 holes, rain.
- 2000 Monday finish, rain.
- 2009 Shortened to 54 holes, rain.
- 2019 Monday finish, rain, hail.

Last year's inclement tournament weather began early in the week. The rain started Tuesday and by Sunday it hailed, forcing a fourth-round delay and tournament post-ponement because of darkness. It all meant the second of Phil Mickelson's five career

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LOOKING TO RECAPTURE SOME PEBBLE BEACH MAGIC

ith careers more than a century apart, modern-day stars like Mark O'Meara and Phil Mickelson have little in common with forefathers John Henry Taylor and James Braid. But the foursome and eight others share one respective career accomplishment.

Taylor is known as a founder of modern golf; Braid is often cited as the inventor of the dogleg hole layout. Mickelson is arguably the best left-handed golfer in history; O'Meara defines athletic zen.

The PGA dozen have also won the same tournament at least five times. Taylor and Braid each won the British Open, golf's oldest tournament, an event in which weather rules.

O'Meara and Mickelson share the career record with five victories each at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. It's arguably as noted for its sometimes wicked weather as the various courses on which the British Open is played.

Mickelson, who now has 44 career PGA Tour titles, will defend his fifth AT&T victory this week four months shy of turning age 50. He's twice claimed the tournament on Monday after inclement weather altered traditional regulation week play.

Mickelson will seek his sixth AT&T win 22 years after bad weather forced completion of a 54-hole event six months after it began and he claimed his first title. And just like his first AT&T title, Mickelson's fifth victory was controversial.

Considering the uncooperative weather and players' conflicting travel schedules, the best solution at the 1998 event was a one-day tournament on a Monday in August to complete a three-round tournament that began on a Thursday in January. Nearly three-dozen players, all out of contention, opted not to return.

Last year, when weather ruled again, tournament officials postponed the traditional Sunday mid-afternoon finish to Monday morning because of darkness. The final round was delayed twice and Mickelson and closest pursuer Paul Casey had two holes to play. Mickelson wanted to finish; Casey said he couldn't see. He also knew another day's chance might be to his potential advantage. It wasn't.

Mickelson hit a 7-iron into 8 feet on the par-3 17th and made par. He played the 18th conservatively, finished with a 6-foot birdie en route to a 65 and a three-shot victory at 19-under 28. He also joined Tiger Woods as the only players to surpass \$90 million in earnings. Casey finished with a 71.

"I was playing well, and I just didn't take all the factors into account," Mickelson said that day. "So I ended up thanking him this morning for making that tough call because I made it tougher for him and but he did the right thing in protecting both of us."

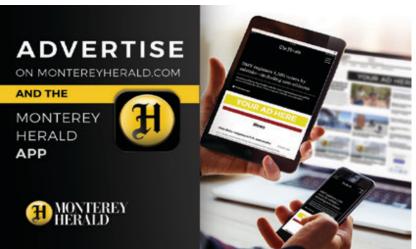
With his 44th career PGA title sealed, Mickelson reconsidered his desire to finish the tournament Sunday. He also provided a brief session of self-analysis.

"Sometimes I just get in my own little bubble and I don't see the big picture and I just wanted to finish," Mickleson said.

With his PGA Tour career approaching 30 seasons, Mickelson's longevity has resulted

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1983: Bob Gilder and Howard Clark 1984: Mark O'Meara and J.P. Diesel 1985: Hubert Green and Dean Spanos 1986: Fuzzy Zoeller and Mike Evans 1987: Fred Couples and George Brett 1988: Dan Pohl and Dan Marino 1989: Steve Jones and James Rheim 1990: Hubert Green and Dean Spanos 1991: John Cook and Jack Wagner 1992: Greg Norman and Kerry Packer 1993: Payne Stewart and Jim Morris 1994: Dudley Hart and Robert Floyd 1995: David Duval and Hughes Norton 1996: Tournament Cancelled by Rain 1997: Paul Stankowski and Andy Garcia

1999: Frank Lickliter and Robert McDonnell 2000: Skip Kendall and David Gill 2001: tie, Tiger Woods/ Jerry Chang; Phil Mickelson and Kenny G 2002: Brian Claar and Randall Mays 2003: tie, Phil Tataurangi and Craig Healy; Brad Faxon and Thomas Ryan 2004: Jerry Kelly and Robert Halmi Jr. 2005: Joel Kribel and Barry McCollam 2006: tie, Hunter Mahan and Alan Heuer; Arron Oberholser/ Micahel McCallister 2007: Phil Mickelson and Harry You 2008: Fredrik Jacobson and Bill Walters

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2009: tie, Chris Stroud/Ron Christman 2010: Paul Goydos and Robert Stuart 2011: D.A. Points and Bill Murray 2012: tie, Brian Haman and Gregg Ontiveros; Padraig Harrington/ J.P. McManus 2013: tie, Michael Letzig and John Erickson; Brandt Snedeker/Toby S. Wilt 2014: Jim Renner and John Harkey, Jr. 2015: Pat Perez and Michael Lund 2016: Vaughn Taylor and Greg Ontiveros 2017: Ken Duke and Carson Daly 2018: Kevin Streelman and Larry Fitzgerald 2019: Don Colleran and Paul Casey

PHIL MICKELSON

in impressive statistics beyond his 44 career wins, 37 second-place finishes and 27 third-place result. During the Desert Classic, Mickelson shot an opening-round of 60 and became the first player in PGA Tour history with three scores of 60 or lower. Last year's AT&T was his 500th career cut made.

But Mickelson's numbers didn't serve him well. Following the AT&T, he slumped. Mickelson completed the season with only two top-10s and 12 made cuts in 20 tournaments. It was the fewest cuts



he's made in a season since his rookie season in 1991.

Late last season, while playing in China, Mickelson addressed his subpar play — in general terms.

"I don't really want to go into details, I just haven't played well," Mickelson said. "I just had a lot of stuff going on, and I just haven't been really focused and into the mental side.

"I haven't seen good clear pictures. I haven't been as committed and as connected to the target. I just haven't been mentally as sharp the last six, eight months."

As he predicted, Mickelson wasn't selected to compete in the Presidents Cup last December. "I've played terribly this year," he said. "But I intend to come back strong, play well and get back on the Ryder Cup Team next year."

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Tiger Woods

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dec Ross

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Jack Nicklaus

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Tom Watson

The Open Championship 1975, 1977, 1980, 1982, 1983

Mark O'Meara

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Davis Love III

Verizon Heritage 1987, 1991, 1992, 1998, 2003

Tiger Woods

BMW Championship 1997, 1999, 2003, 2007, 2009

Tiger Woods

Memorial Tournament 1999, 2000, 2001, 2009, 2012

Tiger Woods

Masters Tournament 1997, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2019

Phil Mickelson

AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am 1998, 2005, 2007, 2012, 2019

PAUL CASEY

PEBBLE LESSONS LEARNED

by James Raia

aul Casey is now making a habit of playing golf on the Monterey Peninsula. The Englishman didn't visit the area for 16 years, but this week he'll compete in his third straight AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am likely with last year's odd finish still fresh in his memory.

After beginning the fourth round with a three-shot lead over Phil Mickelson, Casey was the rain-and-hail-delayed runner-up to Mickelson by three shots. But with amateur partner and close friend Don Colleran, an executive with Federal Express, the duo won the pro-am team division at 34-under-par.

Casey's bigger issue was his continuing inability to win a PGA Tour event after leading or co-leading through 54 holes. He won the 2009 Houston Open after leading the event starting the final round. But he hasn't succeeded in those circumstances since. He's now 1-for-5.

Still, Casey has used his late-tournament woes as motivation. He'll start play in the AT&T after a two-win 2019 season.

Six weeks after his runner-up finish to Mickelson, Casey tallied his third PGA Tour title while successfully defending his 2018 title at the Valspar Championship in Florida. In September, Casey claimed another European Tour title at the Porsche European Open in Germany.

It was Casey's first win on the European Tour since 2014 and it pushed him to 14th in World Golf Rankings. He also finished the PGA Tour season after another year of consistency. Casey had seven top-10s and made 18 cuts in 22 events. During the 2018 season, he made 18 of 20 PGA Tour cuts and had 13 top-25 finishes.

With his focus on diverse international competition, Casey remained unheralded on the Monterey Peninsula until 2018. He first played in the AT&T in 2001 via an invitation and returned the next year. He missed the cut both times. But in 2018, he tied for eighth with four rounds of 70 or lower.

"When my career progressed, I predominantly played in Europe," said Casey. "The Middle East swing, that time of the year, was clashing for a lot of it (the AT&T).

"But every time I play Pebble Beach, I learn something. I don't know this place as well as other classic venues that we play. So, every day is a bit of a school day."

During his AT&T hiatus, Casey was busy winning regularly in other countries. He's now won 14 times on the European Tour, twice on the Asian and Tour and once on the Korean Tour. He's also played in four Ryder Cups.

Casey's re-emergence at the AT&T also holds unique remembrance from his long career. It was his first professional event and occurred just after he turned pro.

Paul Spengler, executive vice president of Pebble Beach Company, invited Casey to play. He was paired with Seth Waugh, now CEO of the PGA of America.

"I failed miserably," said Casey who shot 76, 76 and 71 and left the tournament at 7 over par. "But I still have a friendship with Seth, so I guess I didn't fail totally."

2001 2002 2019 2018 **T-8 MISSED CUT** MISSED CUT 2ND Last year's runner-up finish also featured high drama.

After weather delays and with the sun setting quickly early Sunday evening, it didn't appear Mickelson and Casey would finish their final rounds.

Mickelson said he could see satisfactorily, was eager to continue play and lobbied his point with officials. Casey, trailing by two shots, said he couldn't see the ball. The discussion with officials continued for several minutes live on national television.

The result: the final two holes were played Monday morning. Mickelson finished with a 65; Casey had a 71.

"There was no way we were going to get done; it was pitch black," Casey said after Mickelson's win. "Yeah, it was a shame we didn't get done. But it's been a treat this week, I got an up-front-close look at Phil shooting a great round of golf and winning this golf event and I am happy with the way I played."

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RAY ROMANO

RIDING THE WAVES OF EXCITEMENT AT PEBBLE BEACH

by James Raia

t's late at The Lodge and Ray Romano is trying to fall asleep. But the comedian-actor is anxious and his roommate is snoring. The scenario has been the same for years and it likely will occur this year.

Romano, 62, will be playing in his 20th AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am this year. He knows the courses, many of the pros, what's required of the celebrities and the fickle weather on the Monterey Peninsula. It doesn't matter.

"The excitement and adrenaline is kind of a joy, but it's so much that I can't sleep," said Romano during a recent phone interview. "I don't sleep a night or two before I get there. You'd think after 20 years that would wane a little.

"But it really hasn't. Without fail, when I am there if I get three and a half to four hours of sleep, I'm happy."

Romano's best friend and caddie is Claude Choo. They grew up together in New York. Choo is already snoring when Romano, exhausted, tries to sleep but can't.

"Even with the adrenaline and excitement, I finally fall asleep at midnight," Romano said. "You've walked for six hours, you're signing autographs, you're performing, whatever. OK, I go to sleep, and then my eyes open up and I lay there. It's the same routine. I look at the clock, and I pray 'please at least be 4 a.m.' But oh my god, it's only 2:45. Oh, no.

"Then I'll toss and turn and sleep a little more sleep and then wake up again and say 'What did I get there? Oh, another 30 minutes.' It's like (comedian) Kevin James described it, 'It's like Christmas morning every morning we are there.'

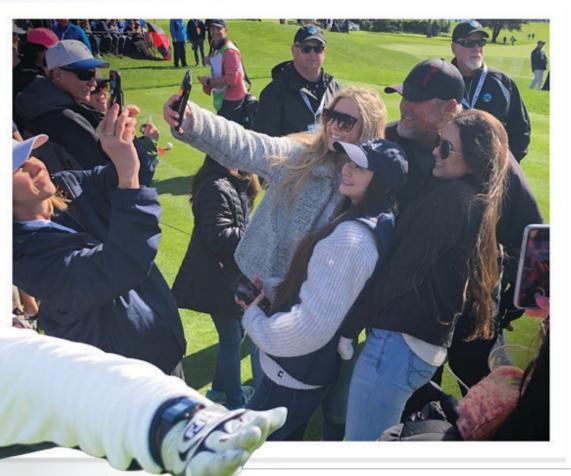
Romano, a 12-handicap, first played in the AT&T in 2000. He made the pro-am team cut for the first of three times in his 11th year. He made it for the third time last year.

It meant everything as Romano and James shared in "Making the Cut: The Road to Peb-

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ble Beach." It's the HBO documentary the duo made in 2005, a year Romano missed the cut by one shot but also beat James by one shot.

Toward the end of the documentary, Romano says: "The most exciting thing to do is play Pebble and make the cut. The second most exciting thing to do is play Pebble and not make the cut."

During his two decades at the AT&T, Romano has also been involved in two unique circumstances. In his debut, he visited the beach paralleling the ninth and 10th holes to follow-up an errant shot. A writer for a national sports magazine criticized Romano for the slow play of the group competing one group ahead of Tiger Woods' foursome.

The reigning Masters titlist was rallying to win his sixth PGA Tour event. The beach scene was filmed on national television and the subsequent article and social media chatter attracted vast attention. Romano was asked to write a rebuttal commentary for the same magazine.

Romano recalled playing by golf's rules of etiquette and details how the writer had "some rather unkind things to say about me." But he now laughs about the scenario and has a framed copy of the article.

Last year, Romano and Choo were standing on the sixth hole fairway during Sunday's final round at Pebble Beach. Hail blasted the course and severe winds bent the pin. The image dramatically showed the severity of the conditions. A painting made from the image will be used for this year's official tournament poster.

"Actually, I was a little frightened," said Romano. "We were by the cliff there. I don't know how I felt. It was almost apocalyptic. All of a sudden the green was covered with rocks, the wind was blowing sideways.

"We're not close to the cliffs but we're not far away from it. I tend to

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be a little neurotic and nervous so I overreacted a little bit."

After a 90-minute weather delay, Romano made a 5-foot birdie putt for a net eagle on the

Romano has also kept the personal approach to the pro-am throughout his tenure. He's played with 19 different pros.

"I've kept the same routine where I do not request a pro," he said. "I've become friends with many pros. I suppose I could have developed a relationship where I said, 'let's play again next year.' But I purposely like that the Tuesday before I don't know who I am getting and I meet a new guy.

"This is not derogatory, but every year the guy I get, I kinda have never heard of him. They could go on to be name players. I had Graeme McDowell before anybody knew who Graeme McDowell (the 2010 U.S. Open winner) was."

Romano also admits to some competition selfishness.

"You're kind of hoping, 'just give me some stud because I want to make the cut, you know?" So that year, I call Tuesday to find out and then I call my caddie because he wants to know who it is, too. We don't know him (McDowell) and I tell my caddie, 'All it says on his profile is that his weight is listed in stones."

McDowell is from Northern Ireland.



Through the years, Romano has been paired with Bobby Clampett, Steve Bowden, Dave Stockton, Jr. and four years ago with Sung Kang, the 2019 Byron Nelson Classic winner. Romano didn't know the South Korean and vice versa.

"We met and he's a very nice guy," said Romano. "But I said to him, 'I had to Google you to find out who you were." "He said, 'I had to Google you, too.' "

Kang shot 60 in the second round.

"But I was playing well, too," said Romano. "I had six net birdies. But every bridie I had he had a natural birdie. He took away all my glory away."





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DAVIS LOVEIII

FROM HITTING FAIRWAYS TO TALKING FAIRWAYS

by James Raia

ot much has changed for Davis Love III in the past 35 years — at least in one respect. With a few exceptions, a new year means traveling to play golf on the Monterey Peninsula.

Injuries have forced a few hiatus years. But Love is healthy again and sometime early in tournament week, he'll arrive at Pebble Beach Golf Links.

This time, it will be different. After a record 30th time playing in the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Love will exchange his golf clubs for a headset and microphone. He's among the new arrivals in the recently announced change in the CBS television broadcast team.

Love, 55, who made his AT&T debut in 1986, will walk fairways commenting on the skills of players who he still may compete against.

"With the new team, Frank Nobilo and the two Immelmans (Mark and Trevor), I'll be on the ground on the West Coast," said Love. "Since I'm the rookie, that might be the easiest place to learn the ropes, rather than get thrown into the 16th tower."

"I think after practicing a few times over the past couple of months with the CBS team, that's where I can be the most effective. I am still playing some. Just like (quarterback) Tony Romo, I've been out there and I know what's going on and I know the players."

Like other professionals in their 50s, Love is still balancing PGA Tour and PGA Tour Champions schedules with his new broadcasting career. But the 21-time PGA Tour titlist and two-time AT&T winner is also within range of two career longevity records.

Mark Brooks, who last played a PGA Tour event in 2018, has 803 PGA

Tour career starts. Love has 778. Jay Haas has recorded 592 career cuts made; Love has 568.

If, how and when Love breaks either or both records is uncertain. But he's thought about the career-tournament tally for a while and is mapping out a plan.

"It was a big goal the beginning of last season and I still want to keep playing a lot of tournaments," said Love. "But then I had another setback and another surgery and I was out for a long time.

"But after the West Coast Swing with CBS this year, I am going to play four PGA Tour events. I will get four closer before The Masters. So, yes, it's still a goal. If I stay healthy and hang in there, I can run down Mark Brooks."

Love and Brooks have also discussed the potential career tournament record. If Love reaches the total, Brooks has offered to caddie for him in the record-breaking tournament.

Love's tenure at the AT&T could have ended quickly. He missed the cut in four of his first five attempts. He tied for fourth in 1992 and then had sporadic success for another decade. He won in 2001 and 2003 and has accumulated seven top-10s and missed the cut 10 times, including last year.

Like all pro golfers, injuries have halted Love's career several times. He continues to recover while adjusting his workouts to focus on stretching.

"You have to stay flexible," said Love. "I remember watching Gary Player. He wasn't Brook Koepka. He didn't work out so much that he was super strong, but he was super flexible. And so are others, like Freddie (Couples). The guys who play the longest, just seem to be very limber."

If Love remains healthy, his hopes to set the career tournament record will remain. But he's also focusing on preparing for his broadcast career.

"I have been watching Tony Romo a lot," Love said. "He thinks like a quarterback and he announces like a quarterback. He'll say, 'I know that defense. The guy ought to do this and this.' So, that's what I am going to try to do. If I see Justin Thomas try to hit a 3-wood really hard off a downhill lie, I say 'he's gotta watch it. If he hits it hard again, he's going to hit it left. If a guy is making the same mistake over and over, I am going to have to call him out.

"I am being coached on all of that. They're saying we want you to be Davis Love. And maybe you've seen the response to them hiring me . . . 'oh, well, another vanilla guy.' If you watch me play, you might say 'that guy is pretty boring.' But if you listen to the people I do outings or talks for, they might say 'he's vanilla-chocolate-swirl. He's not totally boring.' I have a lot of experience and insight. But the trick is how do I get that out in 10-second bursts, you know? You're not going to have much time chance to talk."



five career AT&T wins was finalized in about 30 minutes with two holes of play Monday morning.

"You don't know what the weather is going to be and you end up trying to shoot as low a round as you can because everybody else is facing the same conditions," said Mickelson. "There's always a chance we may miss some of the tournament; you just don't know how it's going to play."

Jim Furyk shot a second-round 68 and played while stepping out from an umbrella to hit shots as the weather quickly regressed.

"There wasn't a lot of wind and we got off to good start on the front nine," said Furyk at the time. He finished tied for 14th. "The wind picked up a little bit when I got 13 and the rain started when we got to 16. At that point, it's just survive and get into the house."

Lucas Glover, a second-round co-leader after a 66, was fortunate. "It was going pretty good," said Glover, the 2009 U.S. Open winner who tied for seventh. "But when we got to 16 and I think the wind pushed my ball about 15 yards into a bunker."

Humor provided relief in the misery of the interrupted fourth round. Spectators tried to

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make snowballs. The brother of pro Patrick Reed laid on his back and tried to make a snow angel in the slush. When the final round resumed, pro Matt Every wore a horror movie-styled face mask.

Mickelson's first career AT&T title in 1998 took six months to finalize. After bleak weather ravished the Peninsula and negated a more traditional Monday finish, a partial field returned on a Monday in August to play a third round. The oddity accommodated players' West Coast schedules and the event has the dubious title of "the longest PGA Tour event ever played."

Not everyone was pleased. Defending titlist Mark O'Meara didn't participate David Duval, Jack Nicklaus, Vijay Singh and Tiger Woods were also among the 34 players from the original field of 168 who didn't make the final-day trip.

Much else has occurred at the event. thanks to the weather. It was shortened to 36 holes in 1952. And five years ago, temperatures reached into the mid-80s and short pants and sunscreen ruled.

In all, Peninsula weather conditions have altered the tournament 14 times, including its cancellation after two rounds in 1996.

Poor weather has also been expected in recent years, prompting the tournament to prepare an evacuation plan because of

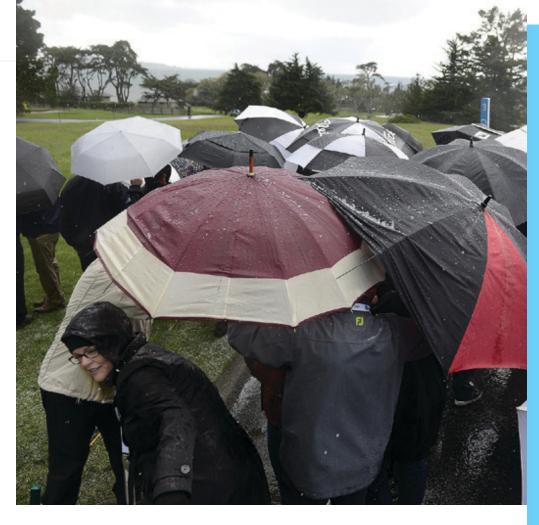
the anticipated arrival of El Niño. It never materialized.

Tournament organizers this year are honoring Crosby Weather. Lee Wybranski, the event's poster artist, is using an image from last year as inspiration. It features Ray Romano and his caddie Claude Choo huddling under an umbrella on a Pebble Beach fairway while hail pelts the fairway and the green they're approaching. The flag pin is bent at a severe angle.

Plenty of PGA Tour players prepare only fair-weather schedules. Davis Love III isn't one of them. He embraced the poor weather conditions last year and has through three decades of playing in the AT&T.

"You gotta love it; if you don't like it, you're not going to play well," said Love, who has the tournament's career-participation record and won it in 2001 and 2003. "You have to love the fact that it's (Bing) Crosby weather.

"You have to love the fact that it's bumpy greens and you're going to have a better attitude than everyone else. You have to adapt. If you're going to be out here 30-plus years, you better know some tricks and have some patience."





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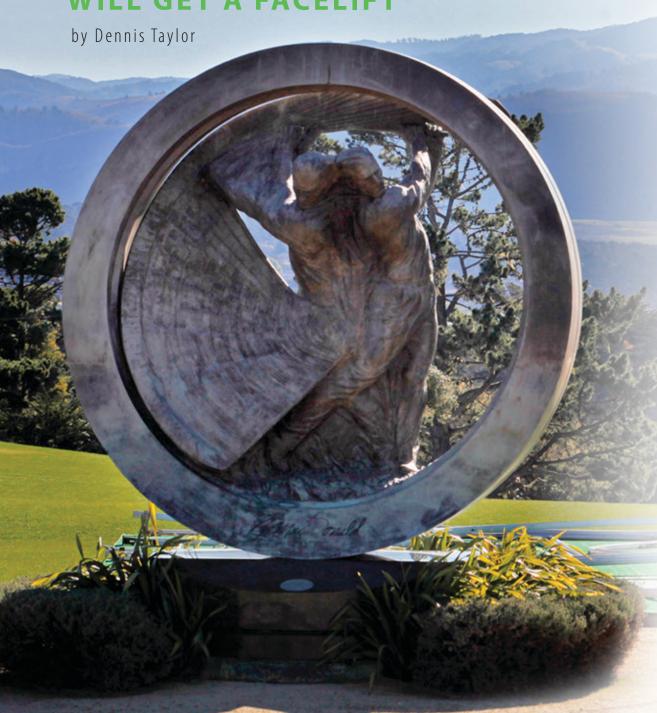


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PETER HAY

THE ICONIC LITTLE COURSE WILL GET A FACELIFT



he par-3 Peter Hay Golf Course at Pebble Beach is getting a facelift, courtesy of the course design company founded by Tiger Woods.

Pebble Beach Co. and TGR Design will be rebuilding the short course that was originally built in 1957 by Hay, a longtime Pebble Beach golf professional along with Jack Neville, a Pebble Beach designer.

"The Peter Hay course has always been good. We are going to make it great," said Bill Perocchi, the chief executive officer of Pebble Beach Co. "With all the wonderful things Tiger has done at Pebble Beach, this is a match made in heaven."

Perocchi declined to disclose the amount of investment his company will be making in the new course but said it will be worthy of the other famous courses there, such as Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill Golf Course. In addition, the course will leverage the amenities of the adjacent Pebble Beach Golf Academy, he said.

Construction is expected to take less than a year and be ready sometime in the fall.

The short executive course is located across the street from Pebble Beach Golf Links, but has been closed with significant portions of the sod removed since before the U.S. Open in June. It was used as a landing/reception area for U.S. Open fans, featuring a large merchandise tent and several food concessions. Some of that infrastructure was kept up for the Concours d' Elegance in August.

Among its many uses, it had served as the home course for generations of young golfers and host to dozens of junior tournaments and charity events.

"Peter Hay's founding vision for this course aligns perfectly with TGR Design's ideals — introducing new players to the game, bringing families together and providing a fun golf experience for players of all abilities," said Woods in a prepared statement.

"We at TGR Design look forward to building on and enhancing this vision with our redesign, which will incorporate more variety into the hole lengths and shot options, add more puttable areas within the green surrounds and take advantage of the spectacular ocean views."

Pebble Beach Co. said its goal with the redesign is to elevate the year-round quality of its short course to that of its other golf courses. In addition, the new short course will offer a food and beverage venue with expansive ocean views.

The project is expected to take less than a year to complete, with a Grand Reopening targeted for the fall of 2020. The company indicated that more details will be provided in coming months.

Perocchi said that the company isn't certain what the final name of the new course will be yet but that honoring Hay will be part of it.





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by Tom Leyde



or Monterey Peninsula Realtors, the week of the Pebble Beach AT&T Pro-Am means all hands on deck and being prepared for a big sale.

With thousands of well-heeled visitors in town for the celebrity and professional golf matchups, there's always a chance that someone will want to look at high-end properties, or even purchase one.

Peninsula real estate firms pull out all the stops to make sure properties, such as a multi-million dollar Pebble Beach mansion or a rustic Carmel Valley ranch, are well-publicized. They produce special advertising sections and social media presentations. Open houses are a priority, and some companies even sponsor special events during the tournament.

If a tournament attendee doesn't find a house to their liking, they may consider buying a lot and building their own dream house. There are several legacy homesites still for sale at Clint Eastwood's Tehama development between Monterey and Carmel Valley. But more on those later.

"We look forward to having all the people here during the tournament," said Peggy Jones, owner and broker at The Jones Group Coast and Country Real Estate in Pacific Grove.

Jones has sold a few homes over the years during the Pro-Am. But the company's primary emphasis is on promoting its properties for possible future sales.

"It's like advertising for the future," Jones said. "Hopefully, people will call us back. ... You capture clients, basically a month or two down the road and you end up writing

Jones's office is right across from Fandango restaurant, on 17th Street in Pacific Grove. "We get a lot of good foot traffic that comes by," she said. "You have to be available, be ready to sell them if they call you. ... The main thing is we want to be ready and prepared if they (homebuyers) want to do it — find them a house."

Lucie Campos, a Coldwell Banker Realtor in downtown Pacific Grove, said the Peninsula real estate market picked up in January after a quiet December. In early January, she was gearing up for promoting properties during the golf tournament.

"I'll do open houses," she said. "I'll get active during that week. We usually don't sell a lot during that time, but we pick up clients because they're here for the golf tournament. ... I think it's good exposure.

"It's worth the effort for sure," she said. "It doesn't hurt."

Mike Canning, who operates Canning Properties Group, within Sotheby's, said his company has a long list of things planned to promote the firm's high-end properties.

One activity will be hosting an event on Thursday at a property at Monterey Peninsula Country Club for clients and friends.

"We'll have significant print exposure that week, as well as key social media-targeted campaigns," Canning said.

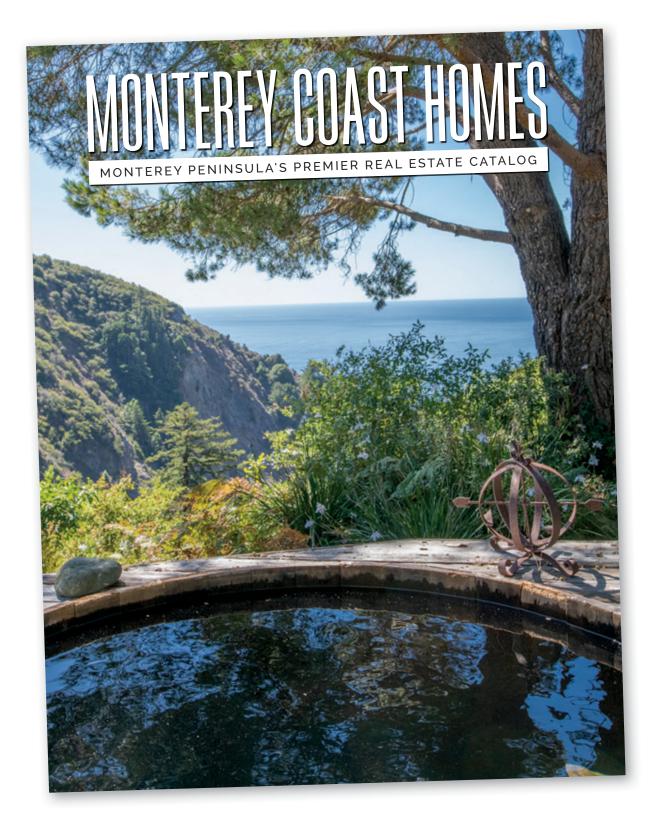
About those legacy homesites available at Tehama. At this writing, there were seven available, ranging from seven to 25 acres. They range in price from \$1.5 million to \$6.25 million.

Tehama originally offered 90 homesites on 2,000 acres. They have views of Point Lobos, Carmel Bay, Monterey Bay and the Santa Lucia Mountain Range.

"Our goal with this land from the beginning was to do our best to keep it like it is," said Eastwood in a news release. "I have always said about this land, that it's like a good movie script: it's great; now let's not screw it up. It's been exciting to have others share in this vision over the years and join me in calling Tehama home."

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